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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ECE MEMBER COUNTRIES IN PREPARATION
FOR WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE, GENEVA, MAY 29-JUNE 1
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1. SPANISH EMBASSY WASHINGTON APRIL 9 INFORMED DEPT PROPER AGENCIES IN SPAIN ARE PRESENTLY PREPARING NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR BUCHAREST CONFERENCE AND WOULD LIKE COLLABORATE WHATEVER PREPARATIONS BEING UNDERTAKEN BY AMERICAN DELEGATION. REQUESTED GENERAL INFORMATION AND SPECIFICALLY ON 1) MEETINGS IN US FOR WORLD POPULATION YEAR, 2) PROBABLE POSTURE OF USG ON WORLD POPULATION PLAN OF ACTION, 3) LEVEL OF US DEL TO BUCHAREST, 4) PUBLICITY IN US ON POPULATION, 5) OTHER INFO.

2. DEPT REPLIED WITH FOLLOWING NOTE:

THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE IS PLEASED AT THE FRIENDLY OFFER OF COOPERATION WHICH IT WHOLEHEARTEDLY RECIPROCATES. THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ARE OFFERED WITH RESPECT TO THE QUESTIONS
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1. THE MANY MEETINGS WHICH HAVE BEEN AND WILL BE HELD IN THE UNITED STATES DURING WORLD POPULATION YEAR HAVE BEEN, UP TO NOW, SPONSORED BY A LARGE NUMBER OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS AND GROUPS, SUCH AS THE UNA/USA, THE WORLD POPULATION SOCIETY, THE POPULATION COUNCIL, THE POPULATION CRISIS COMMITTEE AND OTHERS. THESE ARE INDEPENDENT OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND, ALTHOUGH INFORMATION ABOUT THEM IS INCOMPLETE, AN EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO OBTAIN MORE DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING THEM SO AS TO MORE FULLY ANSWER THE QUESTION.

SO FAR AS UNITED STATES OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES ARE CONCERNED, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ON JANUARY 18, 1974, SIGNED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING A US NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF WORLD POPULATION YEAR, A COPY OF WHICH IS ENCLOSED. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE COMMISSION WILL BE FORMALLY NAMED AND BEGIN ITS WORK IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE HAPPY TO ADVISE THE EMBASSY OF SPAIN AS THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION PROCEEDS.

2. THE DEPARTMENT REGARDS THE DRAFT WORLD POPULATION PLAN OF ACTION, PREPARED BY THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL (DOC. E/CONF.60/7) AS A SATISFACTORY BASIS FOR DISCUSSION. SO FAR AS IT GOES, IT CONTAINS VIRTUALLY NOTHING WITH WHICH THE DEPARTMENT DISAGREES.

NEVERTHELESS, AS THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION TO THE RECENT MEETING OF THE UN POPULATION COMMISSION MADE CLEAR, IT SEEMS TO THE UNITED STATES THAT THE DRAFT NEEDS IMPROVEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING RESPECTS:

(A) AS TO PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES, SEVERAL ADDITIONAL ONES SHOULD BE INCLUDED; INTER ALIA, PRINCIPLES RELATING TO THE UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTED HUMAN RIGHT TO DECIDE THE NUMBER AND SPACING OF CHILDREN AND TO HAVE THE MEANS TO DO SO; THE RIGHT OF MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH; IMPROVEMENT IN THE STATUS OF WOMEN, AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EXCESSIVE RATES OF POPULATION GROWTH AND THE ACHIEVEMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.
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(B) THE PLAN SHOULD, IN THIS GOVERNMENT'S VIEW, CONTAIN CLEARLY RECOMMENDED GOALS FOR REDUCING MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY, AND FOR REDUCING RATES OF POPULATION GROWTH OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND THE WORLD AS A WHOLE.

(C) AS TO FORMAT AND LANGUAGE, THE PRESENT DRAFT IS TOO

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DEMOGRAPHICALLY AND TECHNICALLY ORIENTED TO BE READILY UNDERSTOOD BY THE PUBLIC OR EASILY ACTED UPON AT THE POLITICAL LEVEL BY THE CONFERENCE. SO, IN THE UNITED STATES VIEW, THE ESSENCE OF THE PLAN SHOULD BE STATED IN A SUCCINCTLY WORDED SERIES OF CLEAR-CUT, FOCUSED RECOMMENDATIONS, ENCOMPASSING ALL AREAS COVERED AND WORDED IN A LESS TECHNICAL AND MORE DIRECT MANNER.

IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE HOW THESE IMPROVEMENTS MIGHT BE ACCOMPLISHED, THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION AT THE UN POPULATION COMMISSION MEETING REFERRED TO, SUBMITTED ITS OWN VERSION OF THE DRAFT AS A UN CONFERENCE ROOM PAPER. FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE EMBASSY OF SPAIN, A COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT (C.R.P.-7) IS ENCLOSED, TOGETHER WITH A SPANISH TRANSLATION. ALSO ENCLOSED ARE STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS ON THE SUBJECT PRESENTED BY THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION TO THE RECENT CONSULTATIVE MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA, HELD AT SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, APRIL 15 TO 19, 1974.

3. THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION TO THE CONFERENCE HAS NOT YET BEEN SELECTED. HOWEVER, IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE DEPT TO RECOMMEND THE APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES OF THE HIGHEST RANK, WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AS WELL AS PRIVATE CITIZENS WHO HAVE DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES IN FIELDS OF PUBLIC SERVICE RELATED TO PROBLEMS OF DEMOGRAPHY, POPULATION AND THE FAMILY. IT IS ALSO ANTICIPATED THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS WILL BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE ON THE DELEGATION.

4. THROUGH THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAMS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE, INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY IS PROVIDED THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

AMERICAN PUBLIC REGARDING THE PROBLEMS OF POPULATION AND FAMILY PLANNING IN THE UNITED STATES ITSELF. IN ADDITION, AS THE EMBASSY IS NO DOUBT AWARE, THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF THE CENSUS ASSEMBLES AND PUBLISHES LARGE AMOUNTS OF DEMOGRAPHIC AND STATISTICAL MATERIAL, ON THE SITUATION BOTH WITHIN THE UNITED STATES AND IN OTHER COUNTRIES. SPECIFICALLY REGARDING THE YEAR AND THE CONFERENCE, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS PUBLISHED A PAMPHLET FOR USE BY INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS, A COPY OF WHICH IS ENCLOSED. AS THE NATIONAL COMMISSION REFERRED TO ABOVE UNDERTAKES ITS WORK, CONSIDERABLE ADDITIONAL PUBLICITY IS EXPECTED.

5. AS ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND, THERE IS ENCLOSED A COPY IN SPANISH OF A SPECIAL MESSAGE BY PRESIDENT NIXON OF JUNE 18, 1969, WHICH SETS FORTH THE GENERAL POLICY.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WILL BE PLEASED TO PROVIDE
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EMBASSY OF SPAIN.

3. ORIGIN OF REQUEST WITHIN GOS UNKNOWN BUT BELIEVE LIKE-
LY PROF. DEL CAMPO URBANO, FORMER GOS DEL UN POPCOMM, NOW
MEMBER INTERGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE ON POPULATION
ACTIVITIES CHAIRED BY DIRECTOR GENERAL FOREIGN OFFICE. RUSH

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